**CLAIMS AMENDMENT** 

Claim 1 - 15 (Previously Cancelled)

Claim 16 (Currently Amended): A universal pan lid absorbing and filtering steam and

smell, comprising a pan covering flat and a holding-knob; said knob comprising a box-

like body defining a filter chamber and consisting of a lower half shell applied to the lid

flat and a removable upper half shell to gain access to the filter chamber; said knob

further comprising a filtering and purifying filter housed in a chamber made inside the

knob, characterized in that a battery operated sucking fan is housed inside the knob, said

knob being fixed to the lid flat in a removable way, said lower half shell of said knob

being provided with an annular sucker for its application on a central opening made in the

pan covering flat in a position corresponding to said knob.

Claim 17 (Previously Presented): The lid according to Claim 16, characterized in that the

knob upper half shell has an ergonomic shape allowing to grasp the lid without contact

with the outgoing hot steam and is made of shock resistant anti-slip material.

Claim 18 (Previously Presented): The lid according to Claim 16, characterized in that the

filter is provided with activated charcoal with a high absorbing and filtering power.

Claim 19 (Previously Presented): The lid according to Claim 16, characterized in that the

filter comprises two layers of filtering cloth between which granules of activated charcoal

are embedded.

Claim 20 (Previously Presented): The lid according to Claim 18, characterized in that the

filter changes color when its saturation is reached allowing its timely replacement.

Claim 21 (Previously Presented): The lid according to Claim 18, characterized in that the

activated charcoal is made of coconut material.

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Claim 22 (Previously Presented): The lid according to Claim 16, characterized in that the lid flat is made of fire-resistant tempered glass.

Claim 23 (Previously Presented): The lid according to Claim 16, characterized in that the lid flat is transparent for a cooking visual control.

Claim 24 (Previously Presented): The lid according to Claim 16, characterized in that the flat has an opening with a tight sealing closure, for introduction of tools and addition of ingredients to the food to be cooked.

Claim 25 (Previously Presented): The lid according to Claim 16, characterized in that the flat is made of food compatible metal.

Claim 26 (New): The lid according to Claim 16, characterized in that the flat is plain of a size fitting to a corresponding diameter of pan or pot.

Claim 27 (Previously Presented): The lid according to Claim 16, characterized in that the flat is stepped, having a set of concentric steps, each corresponding to a size of pot or pan thus being applicable on pots or pans of any normally used size.